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In re Application of:

**Scott Wiltamuth, Anders Hejlsberg, Peter H. Golde and Peter F. Sollich** Confirmation No.: **5765**

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For: **SYSTEM AND METHODS FOR IMPLEMENTING AN EXPLICIT  
INTERFACE MEMBER IN A COMPUTER PROGRAMMING LANGUAGE**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

**REPLY PURSUANT TO 37 CFR § 1.111**

In response to the Official Action dated **January 23, 2007**, reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the amendments and/or remarks as indicated below:

- ☒ **Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.
- ☒ **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 7 of this paper.
- ☐ **Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page                      of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.
- ☒ **Remarks** begin on page 16 of this paper.